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### Lend for Victory!

To-day your country calls on you for money to win the war. It is the second call and urgent than the first.

You who so wholeheartedly answered the first call-4,000,000 of you, ready with three billions of dollarsrespond now as you responded then as promptly, as generously, as patriotically, as enthusiastically.

You who could not or did not lend your dollars a few months ago, come forward now!

We cannot win the war unless you save and lend. And without victory there will be neither life nor liberty of earth.

Lend for victory!

tration-initials which should become spughett!, as familiar as U. S. A. or U. S. N .begins to-day its campaign in New of whom are at last being rounded up York city. A commanding officer has and sent where they belong. been chosen, Mr. ABTHUR WILLIAMS of the New York Edison Company. Marshal Hooves.

The purpose of the house to house Mr. Hooven's pledge. It is a simple MITCHEL? pledge, reasonably phrased:

"I hereby accept membership in the United States Food Administration. pledging myself to carry out the directions and advice of the Food Administrater in the conduct of my household in so far as my circumstances permit."

Every person signing this pledge receives a card of membership in the Food Administration to be hung in the window or posted on the wall. together with another small placard economy in food consumption so nec essary if we are to win this war.

The Food Administration hopes for 1,200,000 members in the city of New York, and it should have them. Remember when you are asked to sign the pledge card that Mr. Hooven's whole plan rests on the voluntary cooperation of individuals like yourself If you don't belp him save the stuff we eat, all his larger schemes are foredoomed to failure. Steadying prices, lowering prices, increasing production, elimination of speculation and unfair intermediate profits, as well as unnecessary intermediate processes-these must come after the elimination of waste; and unless waste is eliminated they cannot be secured at all.

Let's all heave with Hooven

What Is Doing in Panama. the world has not heard much of centre of interest it is still active and barracks area "accoutred as a sengetting along very nicely. For this try," "a turnback" to the next class statement we have the authority of or dismissal. the official publication, the Panama brevity everything of interest from

soup and banana pudding. The new Cristobal town site has one houses are occupied. The "de-The site is semi-swamp land "re-The Government is surveying land camp to winter barracks. Then, there upon serious consideration. bordering Gatun Lake in preparation will be a new class next year and his for opening the area to homesteaders. | chance will come. Up to August 19 any one could get shout twenty-five acres (ten hee West Point in some form. Major required. But for raw recruits in the tares) "without payment to the Gov- General Hugh L. Scorr, the much cantonments one ride for five men ernment; at present the price of \$1 liked former Superintendent of the can readily be made to serve if there per bectare is in effect." Real es. Academy, recognized this and had his be sound reason for such a limitatate going up there as it is in the own personal experience with it as a tion. There is plenty of drilling other States!

miles of roads, and 860 Eccased au- from memory a hundred or more times of one for every man in the cantontomobiles to run on them. An item a clipping entitled "Our Young Na- ment. The one question is as to the showing the safeguards established poleon" from his town paper telling need of such a limitation. by the health authorities is to the ef- of his own appointment and his pe-

the retail stores indicate that the tion in a tent after "taps" of the "set- a rifle with interchangeable parts to use ticle headed "Wheat, Coal and Steel" Madagascar hats at 84 cents "are ting up exercises," or a charge of white a standard ammunition, or produce rifles makes me feel that I must tell you touch with young men. I hear daily clination to vegetable diet.

What a shock it must have been the Cadet Corps as a whole. to Panama housewives to learn that 30 a large shipment of Royal Douiton people are warned that the prices army and the people are not in the Published daily, including Sunday, by the for floor coverings have soared to Eur Printing and Publishing Association at 150 Nassu street, in the Borough of Manhattan, New York, President, Frank A. Munsey, 150 Nassu street, Vice-President, Ervin Wardman, 150 Nassu street, Secretary, R. H. Titherington, 150 Nassus street, Pressurer, Win, T. Dewart, 150 Nassus street. of watermelons can be obtained from milder and less injurious forms. New York."

About mosquitoes and slides? Not a word. The Canal Zone apparently has neither.

### The Lineup Against Mitchel.

What forces must MITCHEL defeat to keep for New York the best government it has ever enjoyed? They are easily distinguishable:

The gang which still hopes that Tammany Hall may return to the trough in spite of the fact that the Democrats of the city, sick of stupidity, are descriing MURPHY.

has a desire, if not a hope, that by it. He went on platitudinously; "Be not against the military authorities simply ruining one of the largest meat experience of one who sought to be a some miracle it may arrive at the flesimots of partisan government

The groups of creatures who grinned when the Lusitania was lost, who have never become American in spirit. oninion on any subject touching putriotism.

The soaphoxers, crackpots and The U. S. F. A., to give the initials living on, the slacker's theory that was on the point of adding some savings are going into their fine new of the United States Food Administrately spine should be like wet thing about neckties, but fortunately home, Liberty Bond Hall, there to \$1.40 to \$1.70, and yet I never read or

The pald agents of Prussia, some

Is the total great of this wretched alliance? Perhaps it is larger than and 10,000 women, say ten regiments, careless New York deserves, but it is about to set out for Paris he took the will make a house to house canvass not big enough to count against an valet into his confidence a bit and to recruit the army directed by Field Americanism that is just now getting its dander up.

What do these who heard the cheers of housewives or househusbands to the chances of beating John Purroy

### Hazing at West Point.

From time to time a "hazing horror" is revealed at West Point and a small squad of third classmen, "yearlings" usually, is brought before a court-martial charged with heaping indignities upon the poor "plebe," the newcomer at the Military Academy. The most noted of the hazing trials was that of Chamberlain caught off his guard for the colored cadet. WHITTAKER, in the early '80s; another that was given him. The first player had delivered a bearing the chief directions for that much publicity was the case of Will- well winded speech, although there IAM T. Rossett and several other endets in 1908, which resulted in a number of dismissals and suspensions from the Cadet Corps.

The general effect of the first case Prince of Denmark. was the enactment of such stringent rules that the mildest chaffing of a fourth classman could be construed as cause for dismissal on the charge of hazing. The effect of the second was in the cases of the twelve young men now on trial at West Point is, What kind of hazing did they indulge in?

One of the greatest difficulties at Army has been compelled to go with-Conel Record, which tells in its eight these trials is to get incriminating octave pages with strictly military evidence from the "plebe" himself. He fears the mark of "the tattler" which schedules of rates for supplies and may follow him even into the army. services to recipes for making carême Besides he knows, if he knows anything of cader life, that the Superintendent of the Academy, the Combeen opened and most of the forty- mandant of the Corps and the lordliest cadet officer with the most gold velopment" has only begun; when lace on his chevrons were all once literally true, yet neither reflect upon completed it will contain eighty acres. "beasts" and "plebs," and had much the authorities nor handleap the the same experiences which he is hav- commanders at the cantonments in

There has always been hazing at

fect that to employees of the Commis- culiar fitness for a cadetship. It eral Chozien's statement is conclusary Department who handle food might be an order to "drag in your sive. He says: stuffs will be given "a physical ex- chin," "grind back your shoulders" or "At the outset of the war it was fully amination each month, in the same some other exercise for attaining a recognized and explained that we could way as hotel and mess employees." | military bearing. It might in its se- pursue two courses-either experience a We are informed that reports from verest form consist in private instruct perfectly endurable delay and produce of

selling rapidly," and also that the draped figures on his first night of more rapidly but without interchange. about the farmer from Kansas whom from a training camp where there are Commissary Department is unable sentry duty that would carry him ability of parts and incapable of using to obtain indigo blue denim on ac- over into the ditch of old Fort Cline a uniform ammunition. count of the dye situation. Economy ton. These "bracing up" exercises, is urged in the use of drugs. The were considered by the upper class have not only obtained a one ammuni- were in New York for the first time, scribed to by the men. two "recipes" given suggest an in men to be necessary for the good of tion rife but a rife with parts which and I shall not be surprised to learn the individual cadet as well as for may be interchanged quickly on the that they have bought the old town if cans; educated men-engineers-who for

It was generally believed that the ware was lost at sea, "presumably disappeared from West Point, as they ing to stand on this basis, masmuch as receive 75 cents a bushel for their wheat torpedoed." This is the first loss of have from other educational institu- every soldier will be supplied a rife of the kind suffered by the Commissary tions. If the young men on trial are placed at once by cable." The they will be severely dealt with. The

#### The Polonius of Illinois. An observer in Washington makes

this interesting remark :

"Lawis is the most polished speaker eyes while he talks and imagine it is BOOTH or Then reciting the lines of Polonius"

An unsindled insult; the Hon, JAMES HAMILTON LEWIS IS NOT BOOTH or TREE, but Polonius himself, "Give thy thoughts no tongue," said

the father of poor Ophelia, but he was Another and smaller gang which advising some one else when he said the munitions situation to-day lies. thor familiar, but by no means vulgar, of the moment, but against Congress, Those friends then hast, and their which was stolidly deaf to all appeals adoption tried, grapple them to thy who would be traitors in act if they tinued the old man, repeating himself, visibly gathering. were not cowards, and who hate for he liked the sound of his own MITCHEL because he never tells any voice, "Take each man's censure, but for ourselves or any of the children one to come back at 2 o'clock for an reserve thy judgment. Costly thy This is moving day for everybody. habit as thy purse can buy," he added, whether he is transferring his housebrushing a speck of dust from his hold gods to a new apartment or staytastefully striped waistcoat, "for the ing in the old rooms. cheats who make a noise about, or a apparel oft proclaims the man." He

thought better of it. Polonius respected Censor CREEL. but could see no reason why a high investment. the Inside. So when his boy was pledge to her country to stop the long from the farmer's products has asked him to get a line on the num- of gold into the war chest. ber of troops Denmark already had abroad. "Inquire me first what Danscanvass is to secure the signatures at Saturday night's dinner think of kers are in Paris," said the sly father, where they keep," Of course the valet answered, "Yes, sir. Very good, sir."

the Administration. He declared the years of honest and non-partisan govcast to be composed of "the best actors in the world, either for tragedy, comedy, history, pastoral, pastoralcomical, historical-pastoral, tragicalhistorical, tragical-comical-historicalpastoral, scene individable, or poem unlimited." Only once was the Lord a moment by one who chose to mock was no fillbuster in progress. Polonius

Yes. Polonius's was pink too.

## Arms and Our Men.

Alarmist stories of a grave short to give to hazing, that carried with it lage in rifles for our new army and expulsion, a more definite meaning, of executive incompetence and indif-In a general way it was inflicting on ference to the duty of meeting this a candidate or cadet who had been shortage are deplorable whether they connected with the Academy less than are disseminated by the flery eloa year a treatment of "a harassing, quence of Colonel ROOSEVELT OF tyrannical, abusive, shameful, insult- through the columns of the partisan ing or humiliating nature, or that may press. With or without foundation endanger the physical well being of they only do hurt. The people are any candidate or cadet." The point gallantly doing their part in this war. Money and men are forthcoming as east the impression that the Govern- gentleman farmer of Michigan Upon the military court's decision will ment for its part is lacking in energy Since the canal has been finished depend their punishment-"confine- and intelligence in pushing its prepment to quarters," weary Saturday arations has a fatal tendency to Panama. Although it is no longer a afternoon tramps for months on the dampen this popular ardor and to check popular enthusiasm.

The charge has been freely made and widely echoed that the National out rifles, and will be subject to that deprivation for months to come, while factories capable of turning out rifles at the rate of many thousands a week lie idle. Tales of the National Army drilling with wooden guns add picturesqueness to the in-

dictment of the authorities. But that these assertions may be claimed by dumping dry soil from a ling. Most of it, too, he knows will be the work of preparing the troops for barrow pit to the depth of four feet." over when he moves from summer active service, will readily appear

It is entirely true that experience has shown that for troops in active service five rifles for each man arecadet; so did Major-General John Jo- than the manual of arms to engage tures "is to be brought to approxi- taker incident as to make its indul- day all may get their quota of drill mately 7,000 by December 1." In gener a perilous pastime. Hazing with the guns and of target practice. Panama there are now about 125 might consist in the "plebe" reciting with a total supply of rifles far short

On this point it appears that Gen- gently pressed in this city.

battlefield of Europe, and which may be they like it. most offensive forms of hazing had country. The ordnance bureau is will- figured from an average crop, if they more engineers at present. that type when he starts for France."

clearly understood that the men now gathering in the cantonments would at the outset. A nation in a chronic state of unpreparedness, notwiththem had to be made. And the Dein the Senate. One may close one's eral months away, wisely determined be made to so that the manufacture once begun fitted to use standardized ammuni-

The real criticism growing out of for a greater measure of prepared

#### Moving Day.

It is moving day in money. Our perform the double service of whipping the Hun and returning a good

waste of food: a move as important as that of our soldiers into France or

It is moving day in city government, to the extent that Americans of this town will go down to the City and how, and who, what means and Hall to express their wish that the present tenant of the Mayor's office the world at different times. shall remain there for four more

Beside these moves, each of importance to America's greatest city, the matter of putting furniture into vans te negligible.

only one four-square entry.

German army in occupation of our

New York to take at least half of Liberty Loan.-Headline. When subscription time round New York believes that half . wundern!"

loan is better than none.

MICHAELIS gives himself unneceswhen he denies that his Government has made any promises regarding Belgium. No one would give the fact the slightest importance if it had.

Milk goes up two cents a quart for 1s the Word Formed by a Noun Swalthe best grade in Manhattan to-day Soon its price may recall the remark fast as called for. To spread broad- United States Senator and millionaire deal more but take your choice."

sung more soberly.

campaign views, but he did not use an ously are supporting him because of their hatred of Mr. MITCHEL.

Throw furniture into the vans and fear into the Vons.

Von Timpitz predicts that the United States can never transport its army to Europe in the face of the submarines. Von Timpitz also predicted last February that the undersea boats would bring Britain to her knees in five weeks. If the prime advocate of Tou who have lusted or a rod frightfulness would but predict a long. To scourge manking whose of and bloody war there would be bright prospects of an early peace.

"Minnesota and Wisconsin are as The helplosa peoples on he and shrick straight and loyal as any other States."

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Well said, though it was not neces- In quenchless fame they do sary for the Colonel to say it. All of Percelous legacies of hate. tares:

cadet; so did Major-General John Jo- than the manual of arms to engage our States are loyal, though some
The letimus is endeavoring to in- sepit Pershing and also Major-Gen- the rookies' attention. By issuing of their statesmen are not. If La The letimus is endeavoring to in- sepit Pershing and also Major-Gen- the rookies attention. By issuing of their would resign and appeal to Plastic to do with as you would, the rifles on hand to different com- his State for reelection he would get a new idea of his relation to Wisconsin That what had been a sacred trust political opinion.

> The amazingly hearty reception Yet shall you feed that fading disam given the Japanese mission in New One title still be your captive stave. York puts a new and precise estimate on the influence of the anti-Japanese A wretch whom Obloquy has shrined propaganda which has been so dill- The most despised of burnan kind

THE FARMER'S IUNKET.

He Had Sold His Kansas Wheat for \$2.20 and Become a High Roller.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE SUN-SIT: Reading your reply to Mr. H. R. Wright

ing a fair wage for themselves.

Rifles or no rifles, it has been had fixed the price at \$1 a bushel you read when tired at night after beins would have been pretty well satisfied?" and he answered, "Yes." He also said This camp is only fifty miles from that with the price fixed at \$2 for Plattsburg; thirty miles from Montreal. not be sufficiently drilled in the duties next year's crop the farmers will plant Good medical care seems the limit of of a soldler to be fit to take the field every available acre in wheat, which Canada's efforts. If some of our sountil next year. The War Depart- means short crops and higher prices for cieties would consider this need, or if ment of course had no rifles for them all other grains. God pity the dairy- housekeepers would mail a semi-weekly and grain from Wisconsin is purely by Germany's brutal threats and had man, the poultryman and all others who gift of current literature, it would be

Are there none in this country except standing the warnings of far sighted the Western farmers and food specula-men, naturally had no million new tors worthy of some consideration? Is Quebec, Canada." There are Columbia acts are things too insignificant to be rifles stored in arsenals. They had it a fair deal to send thousands of our engineers, "Tech." men, National Guard to be made. The tools for making men to war in a foreign land and leave of New York men who have been on these men behind to grow fat and rich the Mexican border, and Western and off the families the soldiers leave bepartment, knowing that the need for bind them? If they are not patriotic them in actual service was still serviceough to sacrifice a little, they should M. Boorman, Columbia, C. E. 1910, or to take time with the preliminaries this time forget the almighty dollar camp, out a profit in dollars and cents above would proceed with the maximum a living ought to be sent to the front rapidity, and the weapons themselves, and used for breastworks to protect the be made of interchangeable parts and soldiers who are sacrificing all for their Enroll for Austhing or Everything

tions are allowed to exist which are on page 67 quotes from THE SUN the coducing businesses in the country, poultry business. The Government tive for feeding purposes and allows THE SUN was cognizant of the United soul with hoops of steel. Give every ness throughout almost three years, grain speculators to keep the price of States Public Service Reserve of the Deman thy car, but few thy voice," con- during which the present storm was corn out of reach for feeding. Dairy- partment of Labor, which is an official men are going out of business for the reason that their products do not bring experience THE SUN relates. milk are setting out of reach of the of service reduced to writing in the form

two wheat sold in this part of the country at retail for \$1.50 to \$2.10 a hunheard of any of the grain growing States Government official like himself It is moving day in economy, with above prices. The fact that grain spec- special attention given it. should not know a thing or two on every American housewife signing a miltons have been allowed to make mill-'riled' the farmer to a point where he is determined to "get his" along with the speculator, and let the public "be

damned. I do not believe it healthful for a Government to protect the few at the exthe food question has caused some pretty serious disturbances throughout

H. L. ROCKBULL LYNBROOK, September 29.

## BITING GRANITE

Does Kaempf's Mixed Metaphor Re flect the German People's Mind?

To THE EDITOR OF THE SUN-Sir: In A four cornered race for Mayor, with Kaempf's speech in the Reichstag he said: wedge between the Kaiser and his people people on such a ball t as will enable bites granite." Whether this is really the individual voter to express his prefsign for a statue of General Gomez, the voice of the people or of their mas- cremes for Mayor. If this is done and About what we would pay to get rid ters we are unable to judge. The mind the opportunity made plain to the man revolts at the idea that the Prussian Beast dominates Germania, that Ger- his political effort to remarked: "This is too long."

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Almost the entire Is kultur some terrible blight that returns are counted, no matter whether Atlantic coast would call for a great spreads death like Attila's horse? The Mr. Bennett is the so-called "regular" twentieth century Huns, after strewing Republican candidate or not death and desolation over northern France, leaving a trail of unspeakable filth behind, erect signs bearing the foltowing inscription: "Nicht argern, nur Do not be angry, but admire! Grace Ellery Channing in quoting an eminent French abbé says: "The whole psychology of the German people is in that inscription!" GLEN Ringe, N. J., September 25.

# NIDGET.

lowing Part of the Article? To THE HOLTOR OF THE SUN-SON IS not your correspondent "J. H. P." "Drink error in his deduction of the meaning as you please, gentlemen," said PALMER of "nidget"? The Standard defines the to a number of guests as he waved his word "a simpleton, an lifet," and it hand toward a table covered with is from the last two words that it owes ing that food was repeatedly placed flagons of milk and magnums of its origin—an idiot is a nidget over before him and every possible appeal champagne; "the milk cost me a good all the English speaking world. John thereby made to both his appetite and Kersey in his "Dictionarium Anglo- his hunger. Britannicum" (1708) treats it senten-Universal Etymological word means "blockhead" or "dolt." Saxon nithing (Danish niding), "a vile vent such an act. coward; an abject, despicable wretch." FRANK H. VIZETELLY. New York, September 29.

"All Highest" Still.

You who have part med with your "god"
To win a world by sword and fire, To scourge manking whose one desire Sin sanctified, has been mere power, Behold now where you stand, this hour,

The nation which for ill or good Was as a plaything in your hand,

To trick an execuated grave-

Was used to pander to your lus

Americans in a Canadian Camp Ask for Reading Matter.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE SUN-Sir: Your fine and discriminating article on books Philadelphia and your editorial ar- for soldiers in to-day's Sun should be heartily indorsed by all who are in I met in the city a few days ago. Since no Y. M. C. A. buildings, no company the Government fixed the price of wheat reading rooms, only one small "recreation room" for 1,000 men, and no litera-"By waiting two or three months we wife have been touring the country and ture more than a few periodicals sub-

The majority of the men are Ameri pure patriotism volunteered (though been conspicuous among American Our conversation drifted to the grain officially exempt) in Canada because the turned out by three factories in this question, and this farmer told me that, United States Government needs no anything but the German point of

These men ask if the Red Cross sends they can square everything after allow- literature only to the wounded. They say a man is likely to become discour I said to him: "If the Government aged and less fit if he has nothing to mentally and physically alert all day. most sensible and patriotic.

The address of the camp is Southern men. Any literature may be sent to the Recreation Room, or to K. Any citizen who cannot at Semple, Columbia, M. E 1912, at the

NEW YORK, September 27.

## TO WAR VOLUNTEERS.

With the Public Service Reserve. To THE EDITOR OF THE SUN-Sir: The neat famine. At the same time coud!- Literary Digest for September 15, 1917,

volunteer worker for the Government. I write because the portion of the as put a price on wheat probable article quoted does not indicate that dragnet for just such men as he whose

Infants are deprived of milk. Is prepared by the reserve a place would it not murder to starve bables just an speedily be found for him. The file of much as to shoot them? committees and bureaus of the Govern

dredweight. Corn ranged in price from anew he should write to the Committee on Supplies of the Advisory Commission of the Council of National Defence for having to make graveyards of their membership form, fill out the form and ers who were starved to death by the committee. We will endeavor to have

> COMMITTEE ON SUPPLIES. By D. D. Martin. WASHINGTON, D. C., September 29.

#### THE VOTER'S EASY TASK. With All the Fuss and Fury He Has Only to Vote for Mitchel.

To rue Epiron or THE SUN-Sir: That than 40,000 votes cast for Mr. Bennett at the primary election represents a beggarly minority of those ensaying, and even though the proper conduct of party affairs requires the socalled Republican leaders to announce that they expect to support their have or will have any effect upon the

great mass of voters. Republicans in very large majority favor the reelection of "He who attempts to drive a His name should appear before the

FRANCIS EMERSON. New York, September 29.

## An Actual Case of Self-Starvation in

the Midst of Plenty. To THE EDITOR OF THE SUN-SEC. IN comment upon the death at Dublin of one-half of the cotton raised in the Thomas Ashe, a Sinn Fein leader, as the South is sent abroad; at least 20 per either dishonor or disaster we result of a hunger stelle, we read that cent, of the wheat and cattle raised the patience, wisdom and from result of a hunger strike, we read that cent of the West; hundreds of millions of our President and the large is the only person who has died in prison from voluntary starvation."

According to my memory, unaided by the moment refer, about forty years ago a young Jew. Alexander by name. who had first betrayed under promise of marriage and afterward murdered his course, and who was under sentence of death by hanging, in New York city storved himself to death notwithstand-

As I recall the case, it was reported With a war tax of \$1.50 a barrel on tiously-"Nidget, a ninny, or moer fool," that at that time there was no record brown October ale, its praises will be but his predecessor. Edward Phillips, of the hanging in this country of any the nephew of John Milton, in his "New Jew for murder, and extraordinary ef-World of Words" (1858) shows the forts were made to save Alexander from The World gave to Junus Hylan a source more clearly: "Nidget, an idiot, the gallows, resulting in his respite whole page in which to express his a ninny, or meer fool." Bailey in his from execution for so long a time as to inch, or even a line, to repudiate the (1722) says: "Nidget (Nigurde, F.), and that it was remarked that what had pro-German sympathizers that notori- a ninny or mer foot." The French heretofore been considered impossible word means "blockhead" or "dolt" had been accomplished namely, a case outposts, This explains the absence our resources. The writer of collection for of celf-starvation in the face of abunderiving the word from the Anglo-dant opportunity and temptation to pre-

Perhaps some of your readers may be able to confirm or to correct my memory HENRY E. DAVIS. in the premises. WASHINGTON, D. C., September 29.

### The Lack of Corn Flour in Convenient Packages.

white corn, in five and ten pound dun and of the Somme. packages? Their bodies break; the bod gouts reck

quarters or two-thirds white flour, to

## WHERE BOOKS ARE NEEDED. A LETTER TO THE APOLOGIST OF TECHNICAL MURDER.

Senator La Follette, You Who Care for American Sailors' Wages and Sub sistence, Do You Care for Their Lives?

A letter from Charles Robinson Smith, 25 from abroad other articles we do Broad street. New York, to Senator Rebert M. La Foliette of Wisconsin, in Washington. When I wrote this little tract on in mind, Mr. Senator, because you have statesmen for your difficulty in seeing

view in the great war. Now comes your speech of last week at St. Paul, wherein, it appears, you American rights have been purely technical or insignificant. So we have resisted by force of arms,

The facts of my little paper, known afterward. to so many of us, must be familiar to

If they were to be brought home

titude toward a Government that is cotton prices fell to six cents' trying to protect the foreign trade of Time was, Mr. Senator, when you

I remember rightly. How came you to lose your interest States, farmer or workman or manuso so soon in seafaring men? Perhaps facturer, would scarcely be aware of you think it enough to secure for sailors good wages and good conditions of employment, and of smaller conse-

quence to secure them from the risk

of technical murder at sea. In which case you might tell us, Mr. ble in taking it across the sea. Or, should you, acceding to Germany's erents, then tell us, if you blease, how you would avert a panic in this country and the ruin of your Wisconsin to trade with friendly nations constituents. Very respectfully yours. CHARLES ROBINSON SMITH.

ome extracts from the pamphic; aret to Se ator La Foliette by Mr. Smith, and entitled it more, because alone on the Who We Ought to Re.

Among all the many reasons which could be given to account for, and to it becomes necessary, vital even justify us in, our war with Germany support and protect our gallene one which overshadows all others.

On January 21 last, after a long tional law and humanity, which we and if necessary to fight for the had endured with unexampled patience. Germany suddenly announced her policy of unrestricted submarine quences than many an act of war the high seas around Europe were denied to us, that she would sink on sight any vessel whatsoever passing disaster. through the waters leading to England and France and Russia and Itforeign commerce. And she was as maintained and enjoyed good as her word. She did sink our case. But this is false, ships and drown and kill our sailors and passengers wherever and whenever she could. There was no limit French ships through this summer upon her ruthlessness or her violation piracy we have been for ed to be of our legal rights except that imposed thore and more upon our on by her lack of ability. She was frank and so have been led to to avow that she would make com merce impossible between the United ships now in service and hand,

in Germany's attitude. That commerce | Europe. before the war amounted to three or the issue then was either was four billion dollars a year. It now an embargo imposed at Germany amounts to probably twice as much. tation. Or rather it was both More than two-thirds of this consists Germany had already made we of exports of this country's commodi- us by her attacks on our hip ties. It is estimated that at least a we imposed the embargo so fifth of all we raise or make here is have won that war, for we say sold for export. About one-third to Yielded to all her war determined dollars in petroleum, copper and other majority in Congress and the minerals and hundreds of millions of the country. dollars of manufactured products are But we shall continue to re-

need here. Their production gives sin ployment to millions of people farm ers and workmen. Their movement Germany's war upon the United States to the seaports makes a great demand (copy enclosed) I had you particularly upon our railroads and gives employupon our railroads and gives employment to tens of thousands of railroad employees who would not be other wise employed. This enormous export business also makes use of vast sums of capital whose mode of employment cannot be shifted. Not to speak of the ships and the sailors idle in port if affirmed that Germany's violations of Germany had been able to make good her threat-let the doubter or the pacifist or the pro-German stop to confrom you that the killing of our sider the irreparable disaster done to satiors at sea is purely technical mur-der, that the sinking of our ships and workers dependent upon these indus cargoes at sea is but technical destruc- tries if all this foreign commerce were tion of property, that the denial of to be suspended and paralyzed because our right to ship cotton from the South | this great nation had been frightened a technical interference with the yielded to them. It is not too much rights of our farmers, laborers and to say that the result would have been manufacturers to make a living out a commercial and industrial panic such of foreign trade, and that all these as this country has never knownployment and suffering for years

The South had a small foretaste of a statesman of your experience and this in 1914 at the outbreak of the great war-when, as a mere conse quence of the war, with no unlawfu squarely to the grain growers and threats from any nation, it tempora farmers of Wisconsin I am wondering rily found itself unable to ship its col how they would characterize your at- ton abroad in the usual way and pound, and the South clamored for Federal aid.

If Germany were to demand and posed as the friend of sailors, and the | we meekly surrender, say, Porto Elececent seamen's bill bears your name or the Panama Canal, or even both the average citizen of these United the fact, except by reading about it in the newspapers, so little would it touc

But let Germany even partially so ceed in forcing an embargo upon us or upsetting our foreign commerce Senator, how the exportable surplus and there is scarcely a household in of Wisconsin is to be sold if sailors the land but would feel the effects di are not to be made as safe as possi- rectly or indirectly in some substan

The truth is that an attack upon us gentle sussion of January 31, advise an on the high seas is as much an at embargo on all exports to the bellig- tack upon our territory as if it were made upon our very shores. We have hips affoat are so many parcels of our territory. They need and should have the same protection we would give to our towns and our cities. They need ocean they are unprotected in any themselves, while our towns and or cities are all within reach of bold it is only necessary to state one-that ors and our enerchants at sea was a doing so much of the essential Germany made war upon the United ness of the country. And the only was to do this is to insist upon there prociples of international law was series of acts in violation of Interna- cure the safety of the merchant An attack upon such a ship is a

more momentous in its pe warfare, and in effect gave notice that | shore, because such an attack backet by a threat to sweep us from the leads straight to widespread infloma

Pacifists and pro-Germans no goals will say that if our ships aly-Powers with whom we had long kept in port English ships would be maintained the greater part of our carried our exports and we could have maintained and enjoyed our ingl

The world is short of tonnage W the rapid loss of the Engling enormously

That we have not thus fur

shipped abroad. These are surplus unless the entire country of products not needed at home. Their forth its full force to defeat theme. sale abroad enables us to procure on land and sea.

## AMERICAN STRATEGY.

Some Considerations That Favor a Winter tampaign in Syria. From an article by Lieutenant-Calonel A J. Richardson of the British Army in the

United Service Mapazine. partial offensive on a front of can. It was by maneguve that say twenty miles, when the opposing eral Maude has taken Bogdad lines are 500 miles, leaves such reserves free to act that it can get no decision, the enemies' armies in the fi-Loos, Verdun, the Somme, prove that, war is worldwide. We can The gun, not the rifle, now domi- world to manouvre those arm nates the battlefield. Flying corps, in- positions where we can be a fantry, engineers, tanks, all fighting without unnecessary loss to troops, are but the servants of the artillery. They are its vanguard, its tration against Turkey would

of routs. Artillery advances slowly, enough data to form a reliable of To emplace it, get forward its ammu- on that point. But some of our To emplace its telephone lines forcements and a vast quantand its observation posts, and to reg- our foodstuffs come through ister, require time. Also the gun must Canal. If extra freight were rebe allowed to cool after a certain num- to convey men and municions ber of rounds. Field guns by them- England to Eastern bases, some of selves are uscless.

One cannot pursue with "heavies." nor can infantry get forward beyond | The Dardanelles expedition was To the Epiton of The Sun-Sir. Why the range of their guns. A slow ad- by its authors, or one of their does not some enterprising cereal food vance means time to bring up reserves company put up corn flour, made from to meet it. That is the lesson of Ver- The Somme battle was said

I don't mean fine comment. If we are strong enough in the west dertaken to relieve Verdun. T ut real flour, which resembles white to attack on the whole front, such ern battle of this year, if not flour very closely, being of equal fine- strack, if it synchronized with a sim- will doubtless be attributed in ness, and possessing a faint yellowish that one in Russia, might push back requirements. Now Amerthe German line and might even ob- the field. A crussele among Corn flour has been used considerably tain a decision. Some parts would be places of our faith would so in many parts of the West for over forty found weak. It would require about her, If our resources will be years, to my knowledge. Mixed with 22,000 guns on the British front, and us to crush the Turk but as white flour in a proportion of one- whether or not we have those and their i that decisive task to may coquarter or one-third corn flour to three- ammunition the writer knows not.

uit the taste, it makes delicious biscuit, and Dardanelles are essential. When mated for it than we are t seems to be practically unknown in we get them our siege of the Central this part of the country. Efforts to ob- Powers is complete except for the to to-to-ber this part of the country Enterts to observe the fact that they do not keep it and that most of them never heard of it.

New York, September 29. M. T. R. tions and equipment. Therefore Ger- which water will be no different to the country of the co

many must detach to the of Turkey and to the straining resources under the penalty of Turkes over to the Allies.

In the west we cannot maken. The flanks of the armies and an assailable obstacles. In the end as Now for the "derisive point

It will be contended that o freight would be saved the voyage of tween those bases and England

have been undertaken to aid it principal participant to have b tlet us do it speedily. Georgi To the Central Powers the Besporus they are as well, perhaps to Syria is a dry commen for